



General Assembly

January Session, 2005

Committee Bill No. 5475

LCO No. 3117

* _____HB05475AGEFIN030905_____*

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING RECREATIONAL BINGO FOR SENIOR CITIZENS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 7-169c of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

3 (a) Any organization whose membership consists of persons sixty
4 years of age or over may operate and conduct bingo games on and
5 after January 1, 1989, for the amusement and recreation of its members
6 without a permit as required by section 7-169 provided (1) such
7 organization has registered with and applied for and received an
8 identification number from the executive director of the Division of
9 Special Revenue, (2) such organization does not charge an admission
10 fee in excess of one dollar, (3) the prize or prizes awarded do not
11 exceed five dollars in value, either in cash or merchandise, [and] (4) the
12 bingo games are conducted under the supervision of a ranking officer
13 of the organization, and (5) only active members of such organization
14 assist in the operation of the bingo games without compensation. The
15 executive director may revoke any such registration for cause. For
16 purposes of this section, "ranking officer" includes, but is not limited
17 to, the president, chief executive officer, executive director, director or

18 program supervisor of the organization that operates and conducts
19 bingo games in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.

20 (b) Each such organization which operates bingo games shall keep
21 accurate records of receipts and disbursements, which shall be
22 available for inspection by the executive director.

23 (c) Each such organization shall be exempt from the provisions of
24 sections 7-169 and 7-169a.

25 (d) The executive director of the Division of Special Revenue, with
26 the advice and consent of the Gaming Policy Board, shall adopt, in
27 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, such regulations as are
28 necessary effectively to carry out the provisions of this section in order
29 to prevent fraud and protect the public, which regulations shall have
30 the effect of law.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2005	7-169c

AGE

Joint Favorable C/R

FIN